

# THE WATER GAP TIMES

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## BOROUGH INFORMATION

Walter T. Conway, Mayor

### Council Members:

Wayne MacWilliams, Council President

William Buzzard, Council Vice President

Elvi DeLotto

Susan Wilson

Philip Farber, III

George Munn

John Shoemaker

*Council Meetings: 1st Monday of the month at 7:30 p.m. All Welcome!*

### Municipal Authority Members:

James Reynolds, Chairman

Roxanne Kaiser-Antonowich, Vice Chairman

Martin Wilson, Secretary

Frank Davis, Treasurer

Brandon Reish, Member

*Municipal Authority Meetings: 3rd Thursday of the month at 7:30 p.m. All Welcome!***Borough Office: Monday-Friday 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. (570) 476-0331**

Office Secretary/Treasurer Ileana Hernandez

Superintendent Robert Gallagher

[www.dwgpa.gov](http://www.dwgpa.gov)**Municipal Sewer Authority: Monday-Thursday 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. (570) 424-0433**

Office Secretary Noreen Purcell

**DWG Police Department: Hours Vary Monthly (570) 476-4674**

Chief John May

PA StatePolice 570-839-7701

Fall brings us comfortable weather, beginning of a new school year, warm smells of cinnamon and spices and a full list of outdoor chores to be accomplished. A delightful busy time of the year: Columbus Day, Halloween, Election Day, Veterans Day, Daylight Savings Time ends, Thanksgiving, First Day of Deer Season, Chanukah, Christmas, Kwanzaa and eventually snow shoveling. On these few pages, there is valuable information regarding Borough services, special events, etc. More Borough information can now be easily accessed at [dwgpa.gov](http://dwgpa.gov). The website, thanks to Delaware Water Gap resident Garth Woods, is an excellent starting point for information about our Borough with contact information, meeting minutes, permit information, trash and leaf schedules. Please visit and tell a friend.

## **Exercise your right and VOTE on November 6, 2012!**

Polls open 7:00 a.m to 8:00 p.m.

DWG Borough Hall 49 Main Street DWG, PA

October 9, 2012 - Last day to register before November election

October 30, 2012 Last day to apply for absentee ballot

November 2, 2012 Last day for County Board of Election to receive voted absentee ballots

Monroe County Elections/Voter Registration Office 570-517-3165



## **Borough of Delaware Water Gap Village Study**

Do you often wonder “what if they did this or that” on Main Street? Won’t it be nice if things look like this? Now is your opportunity to get involved, give your suggestions, hear what others have to offer and invest your time and ideas. Council members Susan Wilson and Elvi DeLotto are pleased to announce that through a grant, received from Monroe County, the Borough of Delaware Water Gap is working to develop a Village Study. The Study will sustain the traditional look and feel of the Borough, improve and ensure continued safety for life and property, promote appropriate community development, and maintain a high quality of life.

The study area for this project will focus on the primary commercial corridor within the Borough. It will include Main Street (Route 611) from the Deer Head Inn to Broad Street, and Broad Street from the intersection with Main Street to Interstate 80.

A vital proponent of this process is the involvement of the local community. The Borough and the professional consultants, Stacy Yoder and Judy Stern Goldstein of Boucher & James, Inc. will host at least two public meetings to gain input from residents and stakeholders. The first public meeting will be held on **November 13<sup>th</sup> at the Church on the Mountain Annex at 7:00 p.m.** to inform the community of the project and gather public opinions regarding the vision for the Borough's commercial corridor. The second public meeting will be held toward the end of the process to present the draft plan and solicit additional input.

In order to be a working document that promotes change within the Borough the plan must reflect the needs and desires of the local community. Council encourages all residents and interested parties to get involved with this process to ensure a valuable product.

**The Delaware Water Gap Village Study Steering Committee is in need of one more community member to serve on the committee. If you are interested and/or would like more information please call the Borough Secretary at 570-47600331 Monday - Friday 9:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.**



***YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO THE OFFICIAL OPENING OF THE  
CHERRY CREEK CROSSING LOOP TRAIL  
ON FRIDAY, OCTOBER 26TH AT 1:00 p.m.***

PARKING WILL BE AT THE SMITHFIELD SOCCER FIELDS LOT JUST PASS THE RAILROAD TRACKS. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION AND MAP COMING SOON AND WILL BE POSTED ON THE BOROUGH WEBSITE [dwgpa.gov](http://dwgpa.gov).

## **THANK YOU VETERANS**

Veterans Day is observed on November 11, regardless of what day of the week on which it falls. This year Veterans Day is observed on Sunday November 11th. It is celebrated to honor America's veterans of all Wars for their patriotism, love of country, and willingness to serve and sacrifice for all of us.

Remember those who have passed and those who are with us. Do something special for him/her today. Remember to explain to your children the real reason why they are out of school on Monday.



### **4th Annual Lantern Walk Honors Our DWG Ancestors**

You are cordially invited to join a free memorial walk on Saturday, November 3, at 6:00 p.m., at the DWG cemetery, sponsored by the DWG Cemetery Association. Local history buff Terry Fagan will lead the walk, stopping at selected headstones to tell stories of the farmers, soldiers, fathers, mothers, shopkeepers, laborers, and others who have helped make Delaware Water Gap what it is today. Please wear sturdy shoes and bring a small flashlight or battery-powered candle to ensure a safe walk. Light refreshments will be served afterwards; free-will donations will be gratefully accepted. Rain date is Sunday, November 4, at 6:00 p.m.. For further information, please call the Cemetery Association President, Roxanne Kaiser-Antonowich, at 570.476.8084.

## **TRICK OR TREATING WEDNESDAY ~ OCTOBER 31ST 6:00 p.m. ~ 8:00 p.m.**





## Boil Water Advisory

From time to time the Borough of Delaware Water Gap must issue a Boil Water Advisory to its customers. A Boil Water Advisory is issued for your protection. The pipes that carry water from our treatment plant to your home occasionally need maintenance. If any part of the distribution system is exposed for repairs or emergency maintenance there is a slight chance for bacteria to enter the distribution system.

Unfortunately there is no test for bacteria that yields immediate results. Water samples must incubate overnight at the testing laboratory to allow time for bacteria to grow if present.

According to DEP requirements water samples must be taken for two consecutive days. In order for the boil advisory to be terminated these two consecutive days of water sample results must be free of bacteria.

Therefore, in order to comply with DEP requirements, a Boil Water Advisory must be in place for at least two days. A Boil Water Advisory may take longer than two days if the testing laboratory is closed for holidays or if a water sample tests positive for bacteria.

## GOOD NEIGHBOR POLICIES

Remember there is **NO OUTSIDE BURNING** allowed in the Borough of Delaware Water Gap.

Keep your yard well-maintained with no trash / debris or unregistered cars on the property.

Keep all drainage ditches clear of leaves and debris to prevent any stormwater problems.

All sidewalks need to be swept and clear of debris and snow. Now is the time to contract with snow removal contractor.

The Borough requires that all dogs must be leashed or under the owner's control at all times. Also, no person shall allow their animal to defecate, defile or corrupt any roadway, sidewalk or property within the Borough.

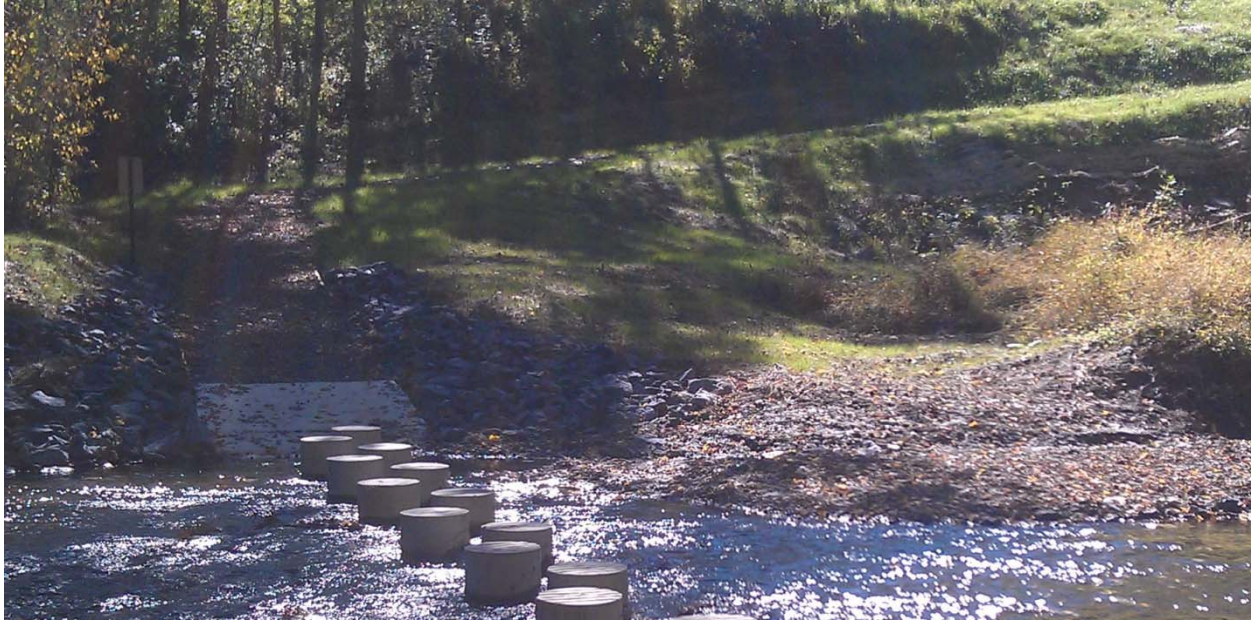
All tenants must be registered with the Borough. You may call the Borough office or check our website, for a form.

## SNOW & ICE EMERGENCY ROUTES

**MAIN STREET AND SHEPARD AVENUE** are emergency routes and are marked accordingly.

**ALL VEHICLES** must be removed **IMMEDIATELY** during inclement weather, otherwise it will be **TOWED** at the owner's expense.





(Stepping Stone Crossing – Cherry Creek Crossing Loop Trail)

**PLEASE JOIN US  
FOR THE RIBBON CUTTING CEREMONY  
TO OPEN THE  
CHERRY CREEK CROSSING LOOP TRAIL  
EXPANDING THE MINISINK  
PARK AND MINISINK GREENWAY INTERMUNICIPAL  
TRAIL SYSTEM**

**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2012  
2:00 P.M.  
(rain date October 29, 2:00 p.m.)**

**Meet us at Minisink Park, 44 River Road  
Minisink Hills  
for a short walk on the trail to the  
ribbon cutting site**

**Light refreshments will be served  
immediately following ceremony**

**The Minisink Greenway and the Cherry Creek Crossing Loop Trail were developed and constructed with CAI grant funding from the Delaware River Joint Toll Bridge Commission.**